

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-5 (cancelled)

Claim 6 (currently amended): The sanitary napkin of Claim ~~19~~20 wherein any one of the elements used in making the sanitary napkin is combined with essential oil prior to manufacturing the sanitary napkin.

Claim 7 (previously amended): The sanitary napkin of Claim 6 wherein the essential oil is contained within adhesives used to adhere a plurality of elements making up the sanitary napkin.

Claim 8 (previously amended): The sanitary napkin of Claim 6 wherein the essential oil is contained within adhesives used to attach the sanitary napkin to undergarments.

Claim 9 (previously amended): The sanitary napkin of Claim 6 wherein the essential oil is contained within adhesives used to adhere the sanitary napkin directly to a user's body.

Claim 10 (previously amended): A sanitary napkin contained wrapping material, wherein the wrapping material contains an effective amount of essential oil to provide an aroma and inhibit microbial growth.

Claim 11 (previously amended): The sanitary napkin of Claim 10 wherein the amount of essential oil is from about 0.1 to about 8.0 weight percent.

Claims 12-19 (cancelled)

Claim 20 (currently amended): A sanitary napkin ~~of claim 19 containing~~ consisting essentially of an effective amount of essential oil to provide an aroma and inhibit microbial growth wherein the essential oil is selected from the group consisting of rosemary oil, clove oil, ginger oil, tumeric oil, chamomile oil, lemon grass oil, thyme oil, achillea oil, thulasi oil, clary sage oil, cedar (hinoki) oil, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 21 (original): The sanitary napkin of Claim 20 wherein the essential oil is rosemary oil.

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Claim 22 (original): The sanitary napkin of Claim 19 wherein the amount of essential oil is from about 0.1 to about 8.0 weight percent.

Claim 23 (original): The sanitary napkin of Claim 19 wherein essential oil is added to the sanitary napkin during its manufacture.